

Fort Hood Morale, Welfare and Recreation March 2007

As a special service to you, each month the Hood Happenings magazine will be delivered with your Sentinel newspaper, for those living on post.

Now Open - Chaffee Child Development Center

- As of 2 January, CYS's new state of the art facility opened
- Bldg 198, corner of Hood Road and Tank Destroyer Boulevard
- For more information, call Fort Hood's CDC 287-6073
- To enroll your child in any Child & Youth Services Facility, call the Central Enrollment Registry at 287-8029, for an appointment, or stop in their office, located in the Copeland Center, Bldg 18010, Hood Road and Battalion Avenue, room 209B
- Available to Military, Department of the Army Civilians & Contractor Staff Children

Now - Mar 6 - Month of the Military Child Art Contest

- Entries must be received by 6 March
- Theme of contest, "What it means to be a military child"
- Open to all active & retired military children
- Entries must be submitted on 8 ½ x 11" plain, white paper. Entries must be signed/dated at the bottom right corner of the art work
- One entry per child
- Winners awarded a Fort Hood Certificate of Achievement and an AAFES Gift Certificate. Contest open in two categories: elementary and middle/high school
- Finalists will be selected by the 2007 MOMC Festival Committee and winner determined by majority vote during the March Parent Advisory Council Meeting
- Entries must be submitted, firmly attached to the entry form. Forms can be picked-up at the Child & Youth Liaison, Education and Outreach Services Office (CLEOS), Bldg 121, Rivers Building Rm 149 or downloaded online at www.hoodmwr.com
- For more information, call the CLEOS Office at 288-3089, 288-0290 or 288-7946
- Submit entries in hard copy to the CLEOS Office; one of the Fort Hood Child Development Centers, School Age Services Sites or Youth Centers or fax to 287-7351 (faxing may affect quality)

Now - April 20 - All Army Chess Championships

- Registration deadline April 20th
- Register online or download an application and fax it to 703-681-7249
- Each player must be an active United States Chess Federation Rated Player,
- 12 players will be selected by FMWRC and funded
- For more information or questions, log on to www.armymwr.com/portal/recreation/chess or call 703-681-7204
- No onsite registration will be accepted
- Championships will be held May 12-18, Fort Meyer, Arlington, VA

Mar 1 - May 15 - Army Emergency Relief Fundraiser Campaign

- Kick- off breakfast, March 1
- Keynote speaker Brigadier General Christopher Tucker
- \$10 tickets
- Breakfast includes: scrambled eggs, bacon, sausage links, hash browns, biscuits, juice and more
- Reserve tickets by February 23
- AER campaign goal is \$250,000
- For tickets or additional information call the AER office, Rivers Building, Bldg 121, 761st Tank Battalion Avenue, 288-8500

Mar 1 - 31 - Big Bass Contest

- Reel in the big one and take home a rod & reel
- Pre-register at the Pro Shop, \$2/person
- Fort Hood Fishing Permit required permits can be purchased at the Pro Shop for \$15/person; 16 years and under, no permit required
- State of Texas Fishing License required. \$28 or FREE for active duty Soldiers
- Fishing must be done at any lake on Fort Hood
- Weigh-in your catch during regular business hours at the Sportsmen's Center; after hours with the Game Warden (located at Bldg 1939 – call first 535-1050)
- Open to the public
- Sportsmen's Center Bldg 1937, located just off Rod and Gun Loop
- For more information call 532-4552

Mar 2 Deadline for ITR's Fiesta Texas Trip

- Experience Fiesta Texas, March 10th
- \$45.50 pp
- Leave the driving up to ITR
- For more info, call 287-7310
- ITR, Bldg 136, 761st Tank Battalion, next to Military Clothing Sales

Mar 9 & 12 - 16 - CYS Spring Break

- Walker-Meadows SAS is the place to be for Spring Break 2007
- K 5th Grades
- 0530 1800
- On-site activities: Better living for Texas; Extreme board gaming; Creative creations; Handwriting contest; Junk relay; Science project; Smart Girls; Bingo; Four Square Basketball; 4-H Creations; "Tell Me a Story"; Pool tourney; Exercise & you; PS2/X-Box battle; Popcorn & a movie; Spring Break Olympics
- Field Trips: K 1st grades Topsey Ranch & Putt-Putt; Bowling; Cameron Park Zoo; Skating; Temple Premiere Cinema. 2nd 3rd grades Austin's Park & Pizza; Bowling; Skating; Cameron Park Zoo; Temple Premiere Cinema. 4th 5th grades Cameron Park Zoo; Bowling; Skating; Austin's Park & Pizza; CTC Planetarium
- Walker-Meadows SAS, Bldg 85018, Warrior Way
- For more information, call 287-8029
- Activities and field trips subject to change, pending transportation availability
- Kids must be registered with CYS to participate. Registration free to families of deployed Soldiers. For CYS registration information, call 287-8029 or 288-7155
- Cost \$18 to register + weekly fee based on income

Mar 10 - Party at the Greens 9-Hole Scramble

- Reg. 3 3:45 pm
- Tee-Off 4 pm
- Block Party 6:30 pm/after scramble
- \$30/golfer: includes greens & cart fees, range balls, food, two drinks (alcoholic or non-alcoholic) and prizes
- \$15/person: includes food, two drinks (alcoholic or non-alcoholic) and prizes
- Beverage cart available
- DJ
- Open to the public
- For more info or to sign-up, call 287-4130 or stop in at the golf course
- The Courses of Clear Creek, Bldg 52381, located on Battalion Avenue west of Clear Creek Road

Mar 10 - Youth Fishing Derby

- Fish in three age categories: 3-6, 7-11 & 12-16
- · Prizes for the largest fish in each age category
- Derbies run from 7–10 am
- Enter BLORA from Rt. 439 and Sparta Road
- Call BLORA for additional information 287-5526 or 287-6073

Mar 12-16 - Kreative Kids Camp SKIES Unlimited

- Spring Break Camp
- 7 am 5:30 pm
- Ages 9 18
- Mon: Hip Hop/Drama Camp; Tue: Dance Workshop/Drama Camp; Wed: Workout/Drama Camp; Thu: Tumbling/Drama Camp; Fri: Drama/Dress Rehearsal/Stage Production
- \$120 per kid. Includes; breakfast, lunch, snacks and camp t-shirt
- Bronco Youth Center; Bldg 6602, Tank Destroyer Boulevard
- For more information, call 287-4592
- CYS registration required. Registration free to families of deployed Soldiers. For CYS registration information, call 287-8029 or 288-7155

Mar 15 Deadline to register for ITR's Marksville Casino Tour

- Join ITR and visit Louisiana's Paragon Casino, March 29 30
- Cost for the trip is \$39.50 pp
- Tour includes transportation, accommodations and two food vouchers (one breakfast, one lunch) and a game card.
- For more information call 287-7310 or stop by ITR, Bldg 136, 761st Tank Battalion Avenue, next to Military Clothing Sales

Mar 16 Deadline for to register for Grapevine Shopping Trip

- Shop Grapevine Premium Outlets with ITR, Mar 31
- \$23.50 pp
- Leave the driving up to ITR
- For more info call 287-7310
- ITR, Bldg 136, 761st Tank Battalion Avenue, next to Military Clothing Sales

Mar 17 - Fort Hood MWR's Vehicle Auction

- Open to the public
- 9 am, preview at the lot Mar 12 16th from 8 am- 4 pm and at 7 am the morning of the auction
- Registration at NAF Property Warehouse, Bldg 4238 on 79th Street
- Auction held at LZ Phantom storage on Clarke Road
- \$1.00 registration fee, includes bidder card & auction listing
- All property will be sold "as is, where is, no warranty". All sales are final
- Payment is made on day of the auction!
- For more information or directions call 287-1460/1459 or visit hoodmwr.com.

Mar 17 - Guided Fishing Tour

- Tour leaves the dock at 7 am & returns at noon
- Fee is \$10, gate fee not included
- Reservations required
- Call BLORA for reservations & additional information 287-5526 or 287-6073
- BLORA is located on North Nolan Road, approx. 10 miles from East Range Road
- Access to the park also possible from FM 439 & Sparta Road

Mar 17 – Pro Shop Tournament: 2-Person Triple Threat Tournament

- Registration 8 am 8:45 am
- Start 9 am
- \$15, includes lunch. Plus green fees & cart rental.
- 18-holes: 6 best ball of two; 6 modified alternate shot; 6 scramble format
- Open to the public
- For more info or to sign-up, call 287-4130 or stop in at the golf course
- The Courses of Clear Creek, Bldg 52381, located on Battalion Avenue west of Clear Creek Road

Mar 19 - 2007 III Corps Intramural Soccer League

- Open to active duty
- Sign your team up now
- For more information call 288-3622
- Abrams Gym, Bldg 23001, 62nd Street & Support Avenue

Mar 23 - Friday Night Shoot Out

- · 9-hole tournament for the more experienced player
- Registration 4 pm 4:45 pm
- Tournament 5 pm
- \$30, includes green fees, cart rental, beverage (optional two drafts) and dinner
- Prizes awarded
- For more info, call 287-4130
- The Courses of Clear Creek, Bldg 52381, located on Battalion Avenue west of Clear Creek Road

Mar 23 - Legends' Comedy Night

- Comedian Brent Thomas
- Cover charge
- Food, karaoke and DJ
- Doors open at 4:30 pm
- Officers' and their quests only
- Located at 24th Street and Tank Destroyer Boulevard, next to the Fort Hood Catering and Conference Center

Mar 24 - Williamson County Chorus

- An evening of vocal pleasure
- 7:30 pm
- Howze Theater, Battalion Avenue near 75th Street
- FREE and open to the public
- For more info call 287-0337 or log on to hoodmwr.com

Mar 26-28 - Intramural Post Bowling Tournament

- 9 am 2 pm
- Start 9 am
- First and second places awards for: 4- person men and women teams, doubles- men and women, single men and women; all events, high game and high series
- Open to the active duty military
- For more info or to sign-up, call 288-3622
- Phantom Warrior Lanes, Bldg 52381, located on Battalion Avenue west of Clear Creek Road

Mar 30 – CG's Warrior Pay Day Scramble, hosted by Commanding General, III Corps

- Open to Active Duty & Department of the Army Civilians (in leave status) golfers
- Format: 4-person scramble, featuring fun hole challenges each month
- Register early or day of event, registration runs from 9:30 10:45 am, with competition beginning at 11 am
- Golfers on each team, must all be from the same brigade/battalion, with the exception of one invited guest
- First 36 teams registered will play
- \$30/person includes your greens & cart fees & prizes. Optional mulligan's, three for \$5
- For more info or to sign-up, call 287-4130 or stop in at the golf course
- The Courses of Clear Creek, located on Battalion Avenue west of Clear Creek Road

Mar 31 - Apache Arts & Crafts Spring Easter Festival

- 11 am 4 pm
- Ceramic egg painting contest, face painting, giant coloring wall, food & fun
- Photos with the Easter Bunny 2 for \$10
- Free event for everyone of all ages
- For more information, call 287-0343
- Apache Arts & Crafts, Bldg 2337, corner of 62nd Street & 761st Tank Battalion Avenue

April 5- BLORA Flashlight Easter Egg Hunt

- Pre-hunt activities begin at 6:30 pm
- The hunt begins at 8:30 pm. BLORA's gates will close promptly at 8:10 pm.
- Hat making, face painting, concessions, moon bounce, photos with the Easter Bunny, puppet show and more....
- \$6 gate fee for passenger vehicles, additional fee for larger vehicles
- For more information call 287-3722 or log on to hoodmwr.com
- BLORA is located on North Nolan Road, approx. 10 miles from East Range Road
- Access to the park also possible from FM 439 & Sparta Road

Leaends Pub

- Officers' and guests bar, no membership required
- Open Tuesday through Friday, 4 pm to close
- Fridays food, DJ & karaoke, \$5 cover charge
- Located at 24th Street and Tank Destroyer Boulevard, next to the Fort Hood Catering and Conference Center

Patton's Inn Open Wednesday and Thursday at 4:30 pm

- Wednesdays no cover charge, free pool
- Thursdays music by Dr. J.
- Bldg 9212, Old Ironsides Avenue at 20th Street
- To book your next party at Patton's Inn, call 287-5215

Phantom Warrior Lanes

- Celebrate your child's birthday party at PWL
- Party packages available:
 - ·House Birthday Party \$7.25 per child
 - -Bowling Birthday Party \$85 (party of 10)
- Your bring the cake and ice cream
- Call 287-3424 for more details about these birthday party packages
- Located at Clear Creek Road and Santa Fe, Bldg 49010

Equipment Checkout Center

- Check Out the New Pop-Up Campers and Travel Trailers, Call to Reserve Yours Today.
- ECOC is your source for outdoor and party rental equipment.
- Reserve summer party rental items now
- ECOC checkout hours, Mon Sat 11 am to 4 pm and Sun (turn in only) 11 am 2:30 pm
- Call 287-1853 or 287-4126 for more information. Located in Bldg 4930, on Clear Creek Road

Apache Arts & Crafts Center

- Cyber Surf Café available for Internet access. \$1 for 15 min.; Open Tue Sat; 11 am 7 pm
- Pottery classes every Tue, Wed, Thu and Fri; 11 am-12:30 pm or 12:30 pm-2:00 pm; \$25 + clay
- Framing classes every Fri and 1st & 3rd Sat; 1 pm; \$100 + supplies
- Advanced framing, 2nd and 4th Sat; 1 5 pm; \$60 + supplies
- Scrap booking, every 1st and 3rd Sat; 11 am-4 pm; \$25
- Ceramics, Thu; 3-5 pm; \$50 + supplies
- Wood shop, Sat; noon 2 pm; \$50
- Bldg 2337, 761 Tank Battalion Avenue
- For more information about these classes and more, call 287-0343

Information, Ticketing and Registration

- The Army MWR web site can save you money on worldwide travel! Before you book your next trip, visit http://www.armymwr.com/portal/travel/lodging/patronlinks/sav.asp to find information on 7-day resort vacations all over the world for only \$299. When booking, make sure you use Fort Hood's Information, Ticketing and Registration identification number: 173. For more information about this site and any of the services that ITR offers, call 287-7310.
- The Military Ticket Voucher program also offers savings at various hotels. Visit ITR to make your reservations.
- For additional information call ITR at 287-7310
- Bldg 136, 761st Tank Battalion Avenue, next to Military Clothing Sales
- Check out our ticket prices, available at www.hoodmwr.com/itr

MWR Health Promotions Aerobics & Skating

- Aerobics Mon Thu at 5:30 pm and Sat 9 am; sessions include step aerobics, hi/lo cardio kickboxing, strength training/toning & instructor's choice; \$25/mo or \$3/class Skating -
- Fri, 5:30 7 pm; skate class
- Fri, 7 midnight; top 40
- Sat, 1 − 5 pm; matinee
- Sat, 7 midnight; teen night
- Sun, 1 5 pm; family skate
- Sun, 7 10 pm; country
- Skating \$5/session, plus \$1.50 skate rental
- Rentals center \$200; party room \$25

MWR Health Promotions Aerobics & Skating cont'

- Pro Shop
- Call 287-5623
- Located on 37th Street, Bldg 324

Sprocket Auto Crafts

- State Inspections
- Basic vehicle maintenance class the 2nd Sat, of each month, \$8 fee
- Hours of operation: Wed. Fri., noon 8:30 p.m., Sat. Sun., 9 a.m. 4:30 p.m.
- Call 287-2725 for more information. Located at 20th Street and Old Ironsides Avenue

NIK - "Now I Know"

- Great way to find out about MWR events, activities & giveaways
- Exclusive email announcements
- Free & easy to become a member
- Visit www.hoodmwr.com & click on the NIK icon

Where Can Kids Go? - School-Age Services has a Fun Solution

- Open to kids K 5th grades
- Before Care, After Care and Before/After Care
- Full-day programs when school is out (except Federal Holidays)
- Winter, spring & summer camps
- Occasional care
- Open Recreation Sports, fitness & health, arts, recreation & leisure, life skills, citizenship, leadership & mentoring, education & support services
- Specialty Programs Project Learn, Character Counts, 4-H Creative Creations, Triple Play, Better Living for Texans and Kids in the Kitchen
- All sites accredited by the National AfterSchool Association. Clarke/Oveta Culp Hobby, Clear Creek, Duncan, Montague, Venable Village & Walker-Meadows
- All children must be registered with CYS. To register, call the Central Enrollment Registry Office at 287-8029, for an appointment or stop in their office, located in the Copeland Center, Bldg 18010, Hood Rd and Battalion Ave, room 209B
- For more details about SAS, call 287-7950

Give Your Kids that Added Special Touch...Personalized Home Care

- Flexible hours, personal attention (low child to adult ratio) & family setting
- Ages 4 weeks 12 years old
- Family Child Care Offers: Army certified homes on & off post; Background clearance & caregiver training; Independent contractors set own hours & fees; Subsidy program for fee categories I & II; Full & part day care, before & after school, hourly care, extended hours & long term care available
- All Children must be registered with CYS to use Family Child Care. To register, call the Central Enrollment Registry at 287-8029, for an appointment or stop in their office, located in the Copeland Center, Bldg 18010, Hood Rd and Battalion Ave, room 209B
- Available to Military, Department of the Army Civilians & Contractor Staff Children plus, Retirees' Children – on space availability
- For more information or to enroll, call 287-5448

Benefits to Families of Deployed Soldiers -

- Free annual CYS registrations. (CYS)
- Free, on-site child care during pre-deployment briefings. (CYS)
- Free, on-site child care during separation support events training. (CYS)
- Four free hours monthly, Saturday Get Away: Kids have fun and caretaking parent gets a break.
 (CYS)
- Ten free hours of child care during R&R leave. (CYS)
- Up to 10 free hours of respite child care every month, for E1-E4. (CYS)
- Free, on-site child care during reunion briefings/training. (CYS)
- On-site child care registration at Rear Detachment Town Halls, Unit and FRG Meetings. (CYS)
- Military Family Life Consultant program offers problem-solving counseling due to deployments. (ACS)
- Care Team Training provides tools to volunteers who are willing to provide short term care and support to families of deceased or critically injured Soldiers or family members. Volunteers offer inhome assistance with meals, telephone and gift logs, cards and condolences, and emotional support. (ACS)

Benefits to Families of Deployed Soldiers cont'-

- Coping with Separation Training offers insight into various techniques to dealing with deployment issues and feelings of isolation. (ACS)
- Spouses of Deployed Soldiers and Waiting Families Support Group provides information, activities, and support in an atmosphere of concern and support to family members of deployed Soldiers.
 Meets monthly. (ACS)
- Deployment Budgeting teaches participants how to adjust their budget/spending plan, taking into account changes in income and expenses during deployment. (ACS)
- Reunion/Reintegration Training (RIT) provides Soldiers and families information to deal with changes which occur during deployment in marital and child relationships. (ACS Parent to Parent Helping Hands Support Group and Exceptional Family Member Support Group provides parents an opportunity to share common experiences and support for other families with special needs family members. Deployments prove to be particularly challenging for stay behind parents. (ACS)
- Family Readiness Group (FRG) Focus Forum offers both experienced and new leaders and volunteers the opportunity to meet and discuss issues, training, changes, and a wide variety of topics concerning the management of FRGs. (ACS)
- Pre-Deployment Briefings provide insight for the Soldier and family member on the importance of
 planning and communication prior to deployment. A checklist is provided that offers suggestions of
 areas to be addressed by families preparing for the Soldier's departure. (ACS)
- Family Life Skills Workshop assists participants in recognizing the effects and causes of stress and introduces them to a wide array of stress management techniques. Conducted 2nd and 4th Thursday of the month. Available to FRGs. (ACS)
- Family Readiness Group Basic Training offers nine blocks of instruction and targets military and civilian students; prepares and educates leaders and family members on the positive aspects of family readiness groups and how they enhance family and Soldier mission functions. (ACS)
- Family Readiness Group Advanced Course designed for the experienced FRG leader and for the commander; focuses on skills development through interactive discussion and training. (ACS)
- Rear Detachment Operations Course-this four-day course offers 45 blocks of instruction to prepare the rear detachment staff for the challenges that arise during deployment. (ACS)
- NETWORK Meets weekly and offers employment leads, job search training workshops, and career coaching to family members, special emphasis is placed on support to families of deployed Soldiers. (ACS)
- ACS-2-You Outreach Seminar and Bus Tour is designed to help families become familiar with the
 many services Fort Hood has to offer. Training targeted to families facing the challenges of
 deployment. Six 30-minute workshops are offered: "Family Meals on a Budget"; "Job Assistance";
 "Personal Readiness for Deployment"; "What are they saying? AFTB introduction"; "Money
 Matters" and "Child & Youth Services Registration". The one-hour windshield bus tour covers key
 facilities on the installation. (ACS)

Benefits to Families of Wounded or Deceased Soldiers -

- Volunteers on Unit Care Teams can receive free child care while they support families facing crisis. (CYS)
- Participants in the Wounded Warrior Support Group are offered free, on-site child care. (CYS)
- Free annual CYS registration. (CYS)
- Charged the lowest possible fees (Category 1) for children enrolled in regularly scheduled Child Development and School Age Services programs. (CYS)
- Offered hourly care at half the normal fee. (CYS)
- Offered Team Sports and SKIES Unlimited instructional classes at half the normal fees. (CYS)
- Four free hours monthly, Saturday Get Away: Kids have fun and caretaking parent gets a break.
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- Up to 10 free hours of respite child care every month, for E1-E4. (CYS)
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